

REMARKS

The Office Action dated October 8, 2003, included the following rejections, objections, and comments:

1. A restriction was required under 35 USC §121 between a Group I (Claims 1,3-55) and Group II (Claim 2). In the event that Group I was elected, Applicant was required to elect a species from a Group A (Claim1), Group B (Claims 3-18), and Group C (Claims 19-51).

In response to these rejections, objections, and comments, and in view of the above Amendments, Applicant provides the following Remarks:

1. Restriction of Invention

Applicants hereby elect Group I (Claims 1, 3-51), drawn to a printed textile, classified in class 428, subclass 32.16. Additionally, Applicant hereby elects the particular species of the invention listed in Group C (Claims 19-51) directed to a printed textile having a mixture of dye fixing composition and UV absorbers. Applicant has canceled Claims 1-18.

2. New Claims

Applicant has added new Claims 52-57, which further restrict the ionic dye in independent Claims 19, 30, and 41, to either a reactive dye or an ionic dye selected from the group consisting of direct dye and acid dye. Applicant respectfully submits that the matter in Claims 52-57 are disclosed on page 4 of the specification, in lines 25-29.

Applicant having addressed all of the rejections, objections, and comments in the latest Office Action, respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in view of the above Amendments and Remarks. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments submitted herewith do not add new matter to the application. In the event that the Examiner believes that the claims would be allowable with minor changes, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss an Examiner's Amendment.